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New U.S. Patent Application  
Title: DEVELOPMENT APPARATUS AND IMAGE FORMATION  
APPARATUS  
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 141 pages, including 1 independent claim and 44 claims total.
2. Drawings- 13 sheets of drawings containing 21 Figures.
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
5. Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2003-124175, filed April 28, 2003, 2003-124176, filed April 28, 2003 and 2003-124177, filed April 28, 2003.
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Applicant claims the right to priority based on Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2003-124175, filed April 28, 2003, 2003-124176, filed April 28, 2003 and 2003-124177, filed April 28, 2003.

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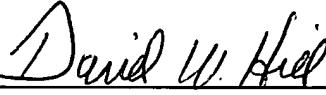
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